



North Dakota Legislative Council

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1506

The following is a summary of proposed amendments to House Bill No. 1506:

1. Add a section as detailed below to appropriate \$1,074,888 of federal funds to the Department of Commerce for the workforce community services program:

SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ONE-TIME FUNDING - WORKFORCE COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM. There is appropriated from federal funds, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,074,888, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce, for the purpose of the workforce community services program, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The funding provided under this section is considered a one-time funding item.

2. Add a section as detailed below to appropriate \$1 million of federal funds to the Department of Commerce for an economic development planning grant program:

SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ONE-TIME FUNDING - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM. There is appropriated from federal funds, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce, for the purpose of an economic development planning grant program, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The funding provided under this section is considered a one-time funding item.

3. Add a section as detailed below to appropriate \$100,000 of federal funds to the Department of Commerce for a workforce innovation network grant program:

SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ONE-TIME FUNDING - WORKFORCE INNOVATION NETWORK GRANT PROGRAM. There is appropriated from ~~federal~~ funds, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, ^{Special} to the department of commerce, for the purpose of a workforce innovation network grant program, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The funding provided under this section is considered a one-time funding item.

4. Add a section as detailed below to transfer \$6.4 million of federal funding received from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Commerce and appropriate the funding to the Department of Commerce for the rent bridge program for individuals unable to pay rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - TRANSFER - DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ONE-TIME FUNDING - RENT BRIDGE PROGRAM. There is appropriated from federal funds, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$6,400,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, which the department of human services shall transfer to the department of commerce for the purpose of the rent bridge program for individuals unable to pay rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The funding provided under this section is considered a one-time funding item.

5. Add a new section as detailed below to allow the Department of Commerce to accept matching funds raised prior to July 1, 2021, for the beyond visual line of sight unmanned aircraft system program provided for in Senate Bill No. 2018 (2021):

SECTION 21. AMENDMENT. Section 9 of chapter 46 of the 2021 Session Laws is amended and reenacted as follows:

SECTION 9. BEYOND VISUAL LINE OF SIGHT UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM PROGRAM - MATCHING FUND REQUIREMENT - ONE-TIME FUNDING. The grants line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$1,000,000 from the general fund for grants to an organization dedicated to expanding workforce opportunities, training, and education related to the beyond visual line of sight unmanned aircraft system industry, ~~which the~~ The department of commerce may provide funding under this section only to the extent the organization provides one dollar of matching funds from private or other public sources during the period beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2023, for each one dollar provided by the department. This funding is considered a one-time funding item.